

MATH 220

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WARM-UP: What two properties must a linear transformation satisfy?

LINEAR TRANSFORMATION:

A function $T: \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^m}_{\text{domain}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\mathbb{R}^n}_{\text{codomain}}$ that satisfies

(a) $T(\vec{u} + \vec{v}) = T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v})$ for all $\vec{u}, \vec{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ← addition

(b) $T(r \cdot \vec{u}) = r \cdot T(\vec{u})$ for all $\vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $r \in \mathbb{R}$ ← scalar multiplication
 r is a scalar

Example: $T: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ given by $T\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = x_1 + x_2$

check linear:

ADDITION:

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 + v_1 \\ u_2 + v_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = u_1 + v_1 + u_2 + v_2$$

$$T\left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) + T\left(\begin{bmatrix} v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = (u_1 + u_2) + (v_1 + v_2) = u_1 + u_2 + v_1 + v_2$$

↕ same

SCALAR MULTIPLICATION:

$$T\left(r \cdot \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = T\left(\begin{bmatrix} ru_1 \\ ru_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = ru_1 + ru_2$$

↕ same

$$r \cdot T\left(\begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) = r \cdot (u_1 + u_2) = ru_1 + ru_2$$

Linear Algebra – Day 11

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1. Re-enact the following dialogue with your group.

Milo: Hey, Maura! I have this function $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ that has the formula

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 + 2 \\ x_2 + x_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Maura: That function is *not* a linear transformation!

$$T(\vec{u}) + T(\vec{v}) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \neq \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = T(\vec{u} + \vec{v})$$

Milo: But why? It looks like a wonderful function.

Maura: We can find an example of vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} where $T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v})$ does not equal $T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$.

Group discussion: Try to find two specific vectors \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} such that $T(\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{v}) \neq T(\mathbf{u}) + T(\mathbf{v})$.

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(1) + 2 \\ 2 + 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(1) + 2 \\ 1 + 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(2) + 2 \\ 3 + 4 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

Milo: This function actually fails *both* requirements of a linear transformation! I can find an example of a vector \mathbf{u} and a scalar c where $T(c \cdot \mathbf{u})$ does not equal $c \cdot T(\mathbf{u})$.

Group discussion: Try to find a specific vector \mathbf{u} and scalar c such that $T(c \cdot \mathbf{u}) \neq c \cdot T(\mathbf{u})$.

$$T \left(5 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right) = T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 10 \\ 5 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(10) + 2 \\ 5 + 6 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 22 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix} \neq 5 \cdot T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 2(2) + 2 \\ 1 + 6 \end{bmatrix} = 5 \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 7 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 30 \\ 35 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Now consider the function $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ given by the formula $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x_1 \\ x_2 + x_3 \end{bmatrix}$.

(a) Use the formula above to calculate $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 + b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 \\ a_3 + b_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2(a_1 + b_1) \\ (a_2 + b_2) + (a_3 + b_3) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2a_1 + 2b_1 \\ a_2 + b_2 + a_3 + b_3 \end{bmatrix}$ ← same!

(b) Use the formula above to individually calculate $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) + T \left(\begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ b_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2a_1 \\ a_2 + a_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2b_1 \\ b_2 + b_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2a_1 + 2b_1 \\ a_2 + a_3 + b_2 + b_3 \end{bmatrix}$

(c) Are the results of parts (a) and (b) equal? Yes!

(d) Use the formula above to calculate $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} c \cdot a_1 \\ c \cdot a_2 \\ c \cdot a_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2c a_1 \\ c a_2 + c a_3 \end{bmatrix}$ ← Same!

(e) Use the formula above to calculate $c \cdot T \left(\begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = c \begin{bmatrix} 2a_1 \\ a_2 + a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2c a_1 \\ c a_2 + c a_3 \end{bmatrix}$

(f) Are the results of parts (d) and (e) equal? Yes!

3. Here is the formula for a linear transformation $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} x + 2y \\ 3x + 7y \\ -y \end{bmatrix}.$$

☞ I already checked to make sure T follows the two requirements!

(a) Using the formula for T above, calculate $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$, $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right)$, and $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)$.

$$T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2+2(3) \\ 3(2)+7(3) \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 27 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

(b) **Ava:** I figured out that $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$ and $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$.

Jason: Well done, Ava! That is correct.

Ava: But I don't need the formula to figure out $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)$.

Jason: What do you mean? Are you a magician?

Ava: No, silly! I just used the work I already did and got

☞ REMEMBER: linear transformations don't mess with linear combinations.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{so:} \quad T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = 2 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + 3 \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 7 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 8 \\ 27 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Group chat: what did Ava do to figure out $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} \right)$?

(c) Try to come up with a 3×2 matrix A for which $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$.

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}x + a_{12}y \\ a_{21}x + a_{22}y \\ a_{31}x + a_{32}y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 7 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x+2y \\ 3x+7y \\ 0x-y \end{bmatrix}$$

4. Let $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ and let $T : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ be given by $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$. Is the vector $\begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$ in the range of T ?

Is there some $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ such that $T \left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$?

Yes.

$$A \vec{x} = \vec{b} \Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & -2 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

augmented matrix:

$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 2 & 0 & -2 & 4 \\ -1 & 3 & 4 & 6 \end{array} \right] \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & -3 & -4 & -6 \\ 0 & 6 & 6 & 16 \end{array} \right] \quad \text{pivots}$$

5. Suppose $T : \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$ is the linear transformation $T(\mathbf{x}) = A\mathbf{x}$ where

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & -4 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & -2 \\ 2 & 2 & 10 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) Rephrase the following question in as many ways as you possibly can: *Is every vector \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 in the range of T ?*

(b) What is the answer? Is every vector \mathbf{b} in \mathbb{R}^3 in the range of T ?

We will return to this on Wednesday